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by MARTHA PERKINS
Times Staff

The Minden Times and *Haliburton County Echo* are now part of a larger family of newspapers.

On August 31, owner Len Pizzey sold the two papers to the Osprey Media Group which owns 28 daily and 21 community newspapers throughout the province.

"I'm excited," says Pizzey, who has owned *The Echo* since 1985 and *The Times* since 2001 and who will stay on as the newspapers' publisher. "I believe it's going to be a good thing, both for the staff, which is of greatest importance to me, and to the newspapers themselves.

"Osprey is a young and dynamic company with a founder/CEO who has a passion for newspapers and a

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Temporary asphalt plant planned for Twelve Mile Lake area

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

Cruikshank Construction, the company that has been commissioned to do the reconstruction of Highway 35 north of Minden, will be operating a temporary asphalt plant during the paving operations.

Site preparation on Twelve Mile Lake Road has raised some concerns from area cottagers and residents.

Roger Coulas is Cruikshank's project supervisor for the Highway 35 project. He said a temporary asphalt plant will be installed in the gravel pit off the Twelve Mile Lake Road in the spring of 2005, once the ground has dried after the spring thaw.

Coulas said the site work that has been done off the Twelve Mike Lake Road is to install a weigh scale and set up a temporary office. The temporary asphalt plant will be set up about a mile back from the Twelve Mile Lake Road in the gravel pit.

Coulas said that he has already been approached by a few people who have asked what is being done. "I don't mind talking to people," Coulas said. "People have a right to know the facts. Most people will feel better when they know the facts."

The location was chosen because the aggregate is readily available. Coulas said the actual paving operations should take 15 to 20 days. The highway will be

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Tai Chi instructor Ginny Hopkings puts people through their paces.

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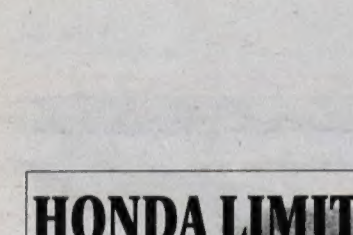

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Night moves

Could there have been any more people at the 133rd annual Kinmount Fair held during the Labour Day weekend? Estimates were in the tens of thousand! With the diverse attractions there was not a shortage to see or do. From the adult and children midways to the derby and the agriculture component of the fair, people of all ages and tastes were satisfied by this year's fair. For more photos, see page 12.

New after-school fun for kids

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times Staff

Children in Minden Hills will soon have an after-school and evening program that incorporates physical fitness with fun.

In co-operation with Trillium Lakelands District School Board, Health for Life is in the process of hiring a recreation coordinator for Minden Hills.

Once hired, the coordinator will be working two evenings a week at Archie Stouffer Elementary School to provide children with organized physical fitness activities.

The program will be completely funded through Health for Life and will be of no cost to parents.

Children aged four to 14 can participate.

Beth Archibald, director of community health services, is very excited about the program.

"It is such an important thing," she said of organized activities for children, adding that if kids participate, they are more likely to also

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do activities on their own as well.

"We are trying to teach good habits and get kids to be active," she said.

The program will run on a trial basis for 25 weeks. During this time, Archibald says they will be monitoring participation levels and the effects of the program on children's physical fitness levels.

The co-ordinator will be at Archie Stouffer for after-school and evening programs a total of six hours per week.

Health for Life staff is working with Family Services of Haliburton County and Archie Stouffer Elementary School to plan the programs.

"We are looking at which days will work best," Archibald said.

Although she doesn't yet know a lot of specifics, Archibald did say that they are looking to implement a program that will encompass organized sports, such as soccer, for older children, and co-operative games for younger ones.

Ultimately, however, the program's itinerary will depend on the co-ordinator who is hired.

"Whoever comes in will come in with a plan," she said.

That plan might also include an outdoor component, with children going snowshoeing, for example, in the winter.

Although Minden Hills township is not currently involved in the program, Archibald says that it has been identified as a possible future partner should the program prove to be successful. One of the co-ordinator's tasks will be to investigate further sources of funding.

Health for Life will also be implementing a similar program in the Cardiff and Wilberforce area.

More information regarding the program will soon be available through newsletters and in the school. Archibald says that in order to run successfully, the program will also require the participation of parents. She also encourages them to volunteer to help out.

Jerry Grozelle/TIMES

Cruikshank Construction plans to put a temporary asphalt plant at this site next summer.

Hwy 35 construction company makes plans for temporary plant

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resurfaced from Minden to Carnarvon, a 12-kilometre stretch.

A lot of site preparation will be required before the paving takes place next summer. Cruikshank workers will be doing ditch work and other site preparation starting this fall.

Coulas said the temporary asphalt plant has been contracted specifically for the Highway 35 project. It is capable of producing 3,000 tons of asphalt per day. "It has been contracted to come in and pave Highway 35 and then leave," he said. "It will only be a short window and then we'll be gone."

Coulas assures local residents and cottagers that noise associated with the plant won't be noticeable. "They'll hear the trucks [which will be hauling the asphalt] before they hear the plant."

He also noted that his company is not going to leave the weigh scale/office site in a mess.

"I hope this alleviates some of the concerns," he said.

Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney said he doesn't anticipate any problems. "We've been very up-front about asphalt plants," he said. "We're not interested in having a permanent one in this municipality. We have noted in our official plan that wayside [temporary] asphalt plants are permitted."

Minden Hills Deputy-reeve Jim McMahon said that construction companies are not required to get a permit or even to inform the municipality that a temporary asphalt plant will be used. Such operations are the responsibility of the provincial government.

McMahon noted that temporary asphalt plants were in operation for the reconstruction of Highway 35 from the boundary with the City of Kawartha Lakes, north to Miners Bay, and during the reconstruction of the Minden by-pass, without any problems. He said an asphalt plant was in operation within a few miles of his home and he wasn't even aware of it.

"People seem to panic as soon as you mention the word asphalt," he said.

McMahon said that temporary asphalt plants are necessary for highway construction. "The asphalt has to be hot when it is laid down," he said, adding that it wouldn't be practical to transport it long distances to a construction site.

"Even if we decided we didn't want temporary asphalt plants in our municipality we couldn't do anything about it," McMahon said. "Provincial legislation overrules municipalities."

He added that the municipality's official plan allows temporary asphalt plants, in accordance with provincial regulations.

Coulas said the target date for completion of the project is September of 2005. "The actual paving is a very small window," he said.

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Airport could use support, MP told

The following are brief notes from last Thursday's Algonquin Highlands council meeting. A reminder: the next council meeting has been changed to Tuesday, September 14 at 9 a.m.

Local MP Barry Devolin stopped by to see members of council. He made a brief presentation outlining his main issues of concern and priorities.

Devolin, whose riding now contains three airports, also discussed the issue of airport assistance. Algonquin Highlands is looking for financial assistance from the federal government to construct a cross-wind runway.

Councillor Jim Hicks said that the new runway would enable some additional types of planes to land, including some medical aircrafts.

The airport is currently used by essential services such as police search and rescue, as well as other groups such as hydro, the armed forces, and the Ministry of Natural Resources.

Council asked Devolin to push for airports to be included and considered when criteria are being developed for new sources of federal funding.

"I do want to help and I am going to investigate this," Devolin told council.

Garbage woes

Council discussed concerns over garbage being left outside of the main gates of landfill sites.

The discussion was sparked by a letter from a resident who lives on the road that shares entry with the Dorset Landfill site and is upset about the amount of torn up garbage being scattered outside the dump.

"Illegal dumping of garbage on Mapleridge Rd has become so bad that I and many of our neighbours have become to embarrassed to invite guests to our cottages," the letter stated.

Public Works Superintendent Brian Whetstone said that garbage thrown on streets when landfill sites are closed is a recurring problem across the county.

"As soon as garbage is left, it is ripped open by animals," he said.

Whetstone said he has already asked a crew to clean up some of the garbage leading into the Dorset site, but that a full cleanup of the area would be a major project.

Council will look into the matter.

Correction

A mistake was made in the last council briefs when it was stated that Algonquin Highlands decided not to allow a request to place banners in the municipality protesting the closure of the Frost Centre. In fact, the request from was for the municipality to put up their own banners. Council did specify that if Perma-Frost wanted to post information regarding the closure or the group, it was welcome to do so. *The Times* apologizes for the misunderstanding.

Say Chi-eese!

Tai Chi instructor Ginny Hopkings leads a group of 35 participants at the Health for Life sponsored event held at the Hyland Crest in Minden on Wednesday afternoon, Sept. 8. Participants were as young as 13. Demonstrations and instruction were provided by the Taoist Tai Chi Society of Canada that services Peterborough County, including Minden, Haliburton, and Wilberforce. Telephone Logie Macdonnell at 457-5263 for schedule times in your area.

Photos by Darren Lum

Elizabeth May to speak in Minden

May is one of Canada's most well known environmental activists

Elizabeth May, one of Canada's most well known and respected environmentalists, will be speaking in Minden on Thursday, Sept. 23.

The Executive Director of the Sierra Club of Canada, who lives and works in Ottawa, will be the guest of Environment Haliburton (EH!) and Highland Hills Pastoral Charge at Minden United Church starting at 7:30 p.m. There is no admission charge because organizers are hoping many high school and college students will be able to attend, although donations will be gratefully accepted because EH! is a non-profit group.

Not only is May an environmentalist, she's also a writer, activist and lawyer. Active in the environmental movement since 1970, she first became known in the Canadian media in the mid-1970s through her leadership as a volunteer in the grassroots movement against aerial insecticide spraying proposed for forests near her home on Cape Breton Island, Nova Scotia. The effort prevented aerial insecticide spraying from ever occurring in Nova Scotia.

Years later, she and a local group of residents went to court to prevent herbicide spraying. Winning a temporary injunction in 1982 held off the spray program, but after two years, the case was eventually lost. In the course of the litigation, her family sacrificed their home and seventy acres of land in an adverse court ruling to Scott Paper. However, by the time the judge ruled the chemicals were safe, 2,4,5-T's export from the U.S, had been banned. The forests of Nova Scotia were spared being the last areas in Canada to be sprayed with Agent Orange.

Her volunteer work also included successful campaigns to prevent approval of uranium mining in Nova Scotia, and extensive work on energy policy issues, primarily opposing nuclear energy.

May is a graduate of Dalhousie Law School and was admitted to the Bar in both Nova Scotia and Ontario. She has held the position of Associate General Council for the Public Interest Advocacy Centre, representing consumer, poverty and environment groups in her work.

In 1986, May became Senior Policy Advisor to then federal Environment Minister, Tom McMillan. She was instrumental in the creation of several national parks, including South Moresby. She was involved in negotiating the Montreal Protocol to protect the ozone layer and new legislation and pollution control measures. In 1988, she resigned on principle when the Minister granted permits for the Rafferty-Alameda Dams in Saskatchewan as part of a political trade-off, with no environmental assessment. The permits were later quashed by a Federal Court decision that the permits were granted illegally.

Don't miss this opportunity to hear Elizabeth May. For more information, contact Cathy Olliffe at 489-1977.

Fond farewell to Dave Pengelly

The Soyer's Lake Ratepayers Association held their Annual General Meeting on Saturday, September 4 at the Kinmount Room in the Delta Pinestone Resort. The meeting was well attended and featured three guest speakers. New residents were asked to stand and were given a warm welcome by returning members. The following are brief notes from the evening event.

Current president Art Ward (right) presents Dave Pengelly an award for service in the association. Dave's wife Cathy is also thanked with a bouquet of flowers. Lou McCorriston, who said a few words about Dave's commitment to the organization, is in the background.

Past president Dave Pengelly and his wife Cathy were honoured by the association for their involvement over the last 16 years.

Pengelly became a director after the 1988 election and has been involved in the organization ever since. He served as president for 9 years.

During his presidency, Pengelly was instrumental in starting the newsletter, in fighting against the building of a resort that wanted to pump water out of the lake, and in helping to build the association to what it is today.

He received a standing ovation from the membership.

In his speech, Pengelly spoke of the importance of belonging to lake associations in order to accomplish tasks.

"One person on their own can't deal with things," he said. "We all need support."

Minden Hills update

Minden Hills Councillor Peter Oyler was asked to attend the meeting to address membership concerns about the implementation of 911.

"I make no excuses for the 911 committee," Oyler told the association. He said it is a county funded and county led initiative.

The municipality does handle certain "routine problems," he said, such as those that arise from road naming and numbering.

Oyler said the current hold-up is due to a misunderstanding with Bell Canada over the numbering of water access properties. The county was under the mistaken impression that those properties did not need to be numbered for the system to begin.

"Hopefully next year, when a lot of you return, 911 will be in place," he said.

Oyler also used the opportunity to bring up the issue of the Official Plan. He encouraged the association to get involved in the process to finalize the OP. One outstanding issue to watch for, he said, is boathouses.

"There is no clear unanimous opinion," he said of the issue. "It is, to say the least, I think a nightmare."

Assessment Concerns

Mark Doble, from the Municipal Property Assessment Corporation (MPAC) spoke to the group about rising property taxes. He gave an overview of what MPAC does and how properties are assessed.

He called MPAC the "most efficient tax system in North America."

On Soyers Lake there are 232 waterfront properties and over the last few year, 31 of those properties have been sold.

Last year, the average hike in property taxes was 19.6 per cent. Doble compared that to 34 per cent on Drag lake, 17 per cent on Big Kennesis Lake, and 35 per cent on Haliburton Lake.

Doble said that every year MPAC deals with over 3000 requests for re-assessment in this area (which includes Peterborough, Lindsay, and Kawartha Lakes). This year, eight of those requests came from properties on Soyers Lake.

When asked how that number compares to other lakes, Doble said that it was relatively low.

"We don't have a problem on Soyers Lake," he said.

One concern expressed by the group had to do with a recent property on the lake that was sold for $2 million.

"What will that do to our property assessment," one resident asked.

Doble assured residents that one sale will not mean a significant hike in taxes, but a series of sales could lead to properties being worth more.

Doble said that MPAC is not in the business of raising property taxes (we don't get a commission on higher assessments, he joked) but are concerned with evaluating properties properly.

He said that sometimes people get upset at the value awarded to their property, but when asked it they would sell it for less, they say no.

Insurance Woes

A substantial increase in liability insurance sparked discussion during the meeting. Last year, the association paid $1285.20 for insurance. This year the price rose to $1728.

A few years ago, the treasurer said, insurance was only three or four hundred dollars.

One resident asked if the association would consider replacing insurance with waiver forms. The idea was dismissed, however, because of the difficulty in ensuring that everyone who attends events signs a form. Residents are always encouraged to bring guests to association events. The insurance policy is issued through FOCA.

HHHS Contribution

The association voted in favour of increasing the donation made on behalf of Soyers Lake Ratepayers to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services.

Money gathered through fundraising amounted to $480, but the association decided to round out the total to $600.

The lake and the loons

Ross Partridge, who has been collecting samples for the Lake Stewardship program for eight years, gave a report to the association. He said that phosphorus levels in the lake are well below 10, which is the maximum a healthy lake should reach.

He also said that two pairs of loons were observed on the lake this summer. The north pair had two chicks, but the south pair did not, with a flooded nest being the presumed cause.

Corn roast success

President Art Ward thanked everyone who came and/or volunteered at the association's annual corn roast. He said that after putting three youths in charge of counting attendance, he still has no idea how many people attended.

But he said 250 hot dogs and 250 cans of pop were consumed, along with 300 cobs of corn, which he joked either indicates good attendance or good food.

New member of WRAFT

The association voted in favour of joining WRAFT (Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation).

The organization required a fee of $300 to join. The association hopes that WRAFT will be able to voice their concerns on a united front.

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With change comes opportunity

The *Times* and its sister paper, *The Haliburton County Echo,* are embarking on a bold and exciting new adventure. On August 31, the newspapers and their associated special publications were purchased by Osprey Media Group, Ontario's largest publisher of daily and community newspapers.

The decision to align ourselves with a large company was not sudden, and it was not forced upon us. It is the end result of a carefully considered process which has taken more than a year to complete.

The factors that influenced my decision to sell the newspapers are many and complex, and it would take many more words than fit in this space to explain them. They are partly personal, partly pragmatic, and partly influenced by the respect, admiration and love that I have for the people who have shared my newspaper journey over the more than 20 years that I have owned *The Echo*, and more recently, *The Times*.

Although it may seem that owning a business in a small town isolates you from the economic and competitive forces of the wider world, that is seldom, if ever, true. Community newspapers like *The Echo* and *The Times* are part of a media industry where the forces of competition and the costs of doing business are the driving factors behind consolidation. The number of independently owned small town newspapers is shrinking because few of them can afford the ongoing investment needed to keep up with technology and provide adequate compensation for professional staff, and because few if any individuals can afford to buy local newspapers or would want to assume the substantial risks that such an investment involves.

Whenever newspapers like *The Echo* and *The Times* are sold to one of the three major publishing companies operating in Ontario, Osprey, Metroland, or Quebecor/Sun Media/Bowes, there is concern in the community that something has been or will be lost. It is one of the unique aspects of community newspapers that the community views them with a sense of ownership. That isn't literally true, of course, and it has aspects that are both positive and negative. The view that the newspaper that bears a community's name belongs to everyone is positive because it shows that people care about the role the newspaper plays in building and sustaining the connections among people that define a community. It can also be negative because it often means readers and the local business community view the newspaper as something that exists outside of the economic realities of other local businesses.

When I purchased *The Times* from Jack Brezina three years ago, I did so because I wanted to take on a new challenge, and because I believed that if I and the staff with whom I shared the dream, could make a newspaper that reflected our commitment to quality and our various skills, we could build a solid business and ensure *The Times'* future. It was not an easy task. It tested our determination and brought a new level of stress to all of us. Yet within two years, we had made *The Times* the best community newspaper in Canada in its circulation category in the eyes of our peers. This past year, both *The Echo* and *The Times* were judged the best overall newspapers in Ontario in their respective circulation categories, and the staff of both papers won many other awards.

Readership of *The Times* has grown, and we are grateful for the many compliments that people have paid us. But the partnership that defines a newspaper's ultimate success - the relationship between readers and advertisers - has not fared as well. A great many local businesses choose not to advertise their goods and services, hoping or trusting that people will patronize them anyway. Other businesses feel they can only afford to advertise a few times a year, or every once in a while. That is their right of course, and they must live with their own economic reality, but a newspaper, like any other business, must grow its revenue base or it will decline as costs inevitably rise. In that respect, the future of *The Times* does rest in the hands of the community. It must be used or it will be lost

The decision to align *The Times* and *The Echo* with a larger company will bring many important benefits to the newspapers' staff, all of whom have been hired by Osprey and will continue doing what they have done so well. The company has a pension plan and medical benefits which I as an independent owner could not offer. It also gives us access to many kinds of special expertise, including training, technological support and opportunity to offer internet newspaper subscriptions and other internet services managed by the company's new media department.

In most ways, however, the newspapers will not change. Osprey's operating policy is to let local publishers operate much as they did when they were independent owners. The company's financial expectations for the newspapers is not significantly different from my own. *The Times* and *The Echo* will look like they have, read like they have and serve the community as they have. In the future, as in the past, their success will remain a collective decision among the community of readers and local businesses whose advertising provides most of the revenue that makes a newspaper viable.

As a business, *The Times* and *The Echo* have always viewed change as opportunity. Joining Osprey is another step forward.

Len Pizzey

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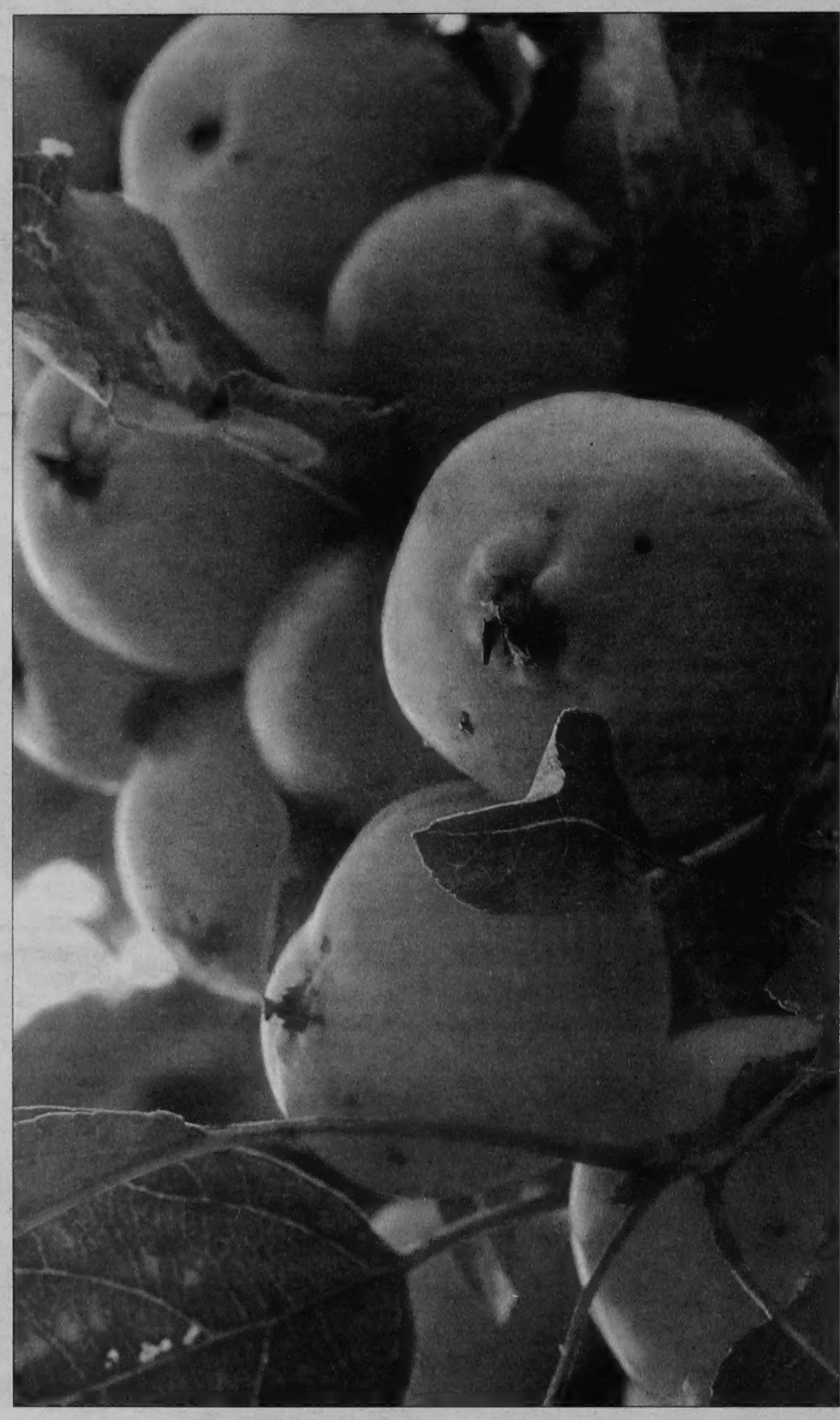

IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Crab apples Photo by DARREN LUM/Times

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Eyesore still there

To the Editor:

Re: letter to Minden Hills Reeve Ross Rigney

You may recall receiving a letter from me dated June 4th complaining about the eyesore for the town, just behind the Twistee Treat.

Some time around the middle of June, I received a call from your office that this disgusting place was being torn down and that it would be done by the first of July. I jokingly told the gentleman calling that I would definitely celebrate part of Canada Day on this to-be vacant property and we had quite a laugh. Well, it's still there! For a couple of days it looked like it may be coming down as the so-called verandah was gone but this could have been some people taking some old wrecky wood for firewood or something, who knows. Anyway, I am once again drawing this to your attention, in case you haaven't noticed yourself.

Hopefully, it will be down before our next tourist season comes along as I am sure it has been a "delightful" site for our town.

Carol Gilligan,
Minden

INOTHERWORDS

Columnists and Letters to the Editor

Sitting at the dock of the eBay

BEYOND35

Steve Galea

I used to think that eBay was a place where you drove your car to get the oil changed. But lately I've come to realize that it's an interesting internet auction site where normally sensible people bid for the honour of paying more than fair market value for things that they never really needed anyhow. That's right, I've been known to buy a thing or two there myself.

This week I've got my eye on a Tupperware container filled with authentic Hurricane Frances winds. Though the starting bid was only a penny it has already fetched a $10 bid.

Naturally, I'm thinking of getting in on this auction before it gets too pricey.

I mean $10 is a whole lot of scratch but I think that in this case the investment might be worthwhile. After all, if it's a big two-litre container just crammed with gale force winds, I might be able to fill hundreds of smaller plastic bags and sell each of them separately as air fresheners or "recreational and industrial wind products."

The way I see it, this sort of thing just might come in handy if the boys are over and people start pulling fingers, as we mature grown men are apt to do. Just when flies start dropping and the budgie faints, batten down the hatches and open up the small bag of Galea's Everfresh Hurricane Winds(tm) to clear the room.

Surely this peace of mind would be worth a little bit of money to someone.

Naturally, it has countless other uses. How about if your child desperately wants to fly a kite on a calm day? Again, that sort of happiness shouldn't have a price tag on it, but for say $15.99, I might provide enough wind to keep junior quite happy.

Need your flag to wave at a critical time? Want a nice breeze to keep the black flies at bay? Love sailing? Does the fellow next to you in line smell bad? Is a sexy woman wearing a mini-skirt walking by? Would a good tailwind help your fly-casting? Need a little more action in your windmill? Have you suddenly noticed your hang glider plummeting towards earth? If so, I think I can help, but only if I win this eBay auction.

It's not like I'm planning on getting rich from these prepackaged hurricane winds - I'm certainly not that gullible - but I do think that with the right marketing I can turn this thing into a money-making venture. That's why I'm writing the pet rock people for advice.

Not that the product needs any hype or slick marketing. Harnessing the power of the wind has been a dream of mankind forever. Who would have though that it could be done with simple Tupperware and plastic bags?

But it has. eBay says so.

After I make it big, I'm reasonably certain that there will be imitators. But just remember that Galea's Everfresh Hurricane Winds(tm) is the first and finest wind product. Sure others might be cheaper, but they are only giving you summer breezes or, at best, cheap spring zephyrs -- often foreign made.

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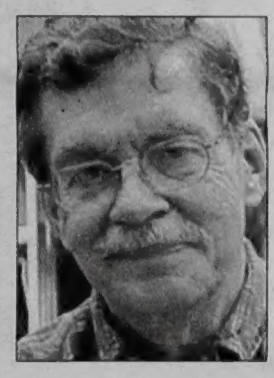
That's my solemn promise to you.

The great thing is, my wife is even behind me on this one. I took the idea to her and made a nice presentation. Just as I walked away, I heard her mumble, "Oh, what a wind bag!"

eBay here I come.

Lost world



BACKOFBEYOND

Neil Campbell

Half a century ago, a summer at the cottage was like two months in another country.

You put the city, with its bright lights and jangled nerves, behind you and slowed things down to the pace of the countryside.

Remnants of that lost world kept popping up in the chats with old-timers like Dick Kirkwood, Phil Graham, Helen Devereux, Bob Horne and various Pettingers that led to last week's column about the Joicey Horne cottage.

Fifty years later, the lakes are still here and stars clutter the skies on clear nights but they were only part of the lure of Haliburton.

What made the cottage special was the chance to change all of the circumstances of your life – to take a step back in time to a simpler place and live for a few weeks among people who were as different from you as they could be.

For those of us who grew up in the bucolic countryside of Western Ontario, the images of those early cottage days come from a great distance in time and space.

While we were pitching hay and stooking sheaves, refugees from the city were drifting through another kind of country life up among the lakes.

A cottage might be little more than a shed down a pair of tire tracks that ran across a farmer's fields – no hydro, no telephone and no running water but plenty of mismatched furniture.

Dad would take the family Studebaker back to the city, leaving Mom on duty 24 hours a day Monday to Friday, with no adult to turn to for support and emergency help a long walk away.

The groceries were as likely to come from the farmer's cow and chickens and his wife's garden as from the village general stores. Blocks of ice kept her food from spoiling and she scooped her water out of the lake.

Mom might get bored, but not the children, even without the electronic diversions that already were beginning to clog city life. There were frogs to hunt, spruce thickets to trek through, nosegays to collect, and swimsuits, fishing poles and rowboats.

After supper (NOT dinner) and on rainy days, there were old books to read and re-read and crokinole and card games to play. Darkness brought coal-oil lamps, campfires and moonlit sprints to outhouses through shadows filled with ghosts and goblins.

The lake down my road isn't as fashionable as Kennisis or Kashagawigamog, at least not on my side of the water. My corner of Big Bob Lake still has cottages that look like cottages – some of them are, variously, without insulation or telephones or indoor plumbing.

But most car trunks have golf clubs in them, a malfunctioning satellite dish can ruin a weekend and there is the certain promise that sooner or later there will be 3,600-square-foot homes here, complete with five bedrooms, four baths, vaulted ceilings, granite floors and a perfectly manicured lawn that runs right down to the water's edge.

These will be houses that own their owners, and the grandchildren of women who kept children fed and amused in their simple shacks will need hired hands to keep their square footage in good order.

Grandchildren with cell phones and lap tops, city hipsters all of them, rush north Saturday morning to avoid the Friday crush and then rush home Sunday morning to beat the Sunday crush and the cottage becomes just another frantic moment in their city lives.

They come here to compete with their hipster pals by building architect-designed castles with sunken living rooms the size of Don Mills bungalows and Jacuzzis and hot tubs and central vacs where once there stood shacks built of shiplap boards and two-by-fours by a jackknife carpenter.

With any kind of luck, the castles will continue their march across the Haliburton landscape, spreading from lakeshore to lakeshore like a contagion, trampling the old cottages as they go.

With any kind of luck, most hipsters will not notice that the life they bring north with them looks almost exactly like the life they imagine they are escaping.

With any kind of luck, they will not miss the stars blotted out of the night sky by their yard lights or the birdsong drowned out by the electronic soundtracks of their lives.

With any kind of luck, they will not know what they are missing.

Canada needs national food strategy

BARRYDEVOLINMP

Opinions from Parliament Hill

Over the past few months, farmers have been telling me that Canada needs a long-term national food strategy, and that our federal and provincial governments need to make a commitment to our agricultural community.

During the recent federal election campaign, I promised farmers that I would create a Farm Council where they could provide me with information, offer me advice, and guide me on agricultural issues. In short, the purpose of the Farm Council is to help me do a better job as your MP representing farmers and the agricultural community.

On Monday September 30, more than 25 people attended the first Farm Council meeting at the Bobcaygeon-area farm of Barbara and Lloyd Wicks – local milk producers and internationally recognized breeders and exporters of dairy cattle.

Members of the Farm Council offer an incredible variety of experience. As a group, they produce beef, veal, pork, sheep, poultry, deer and elk, foxes, wheat, grain and oilseeds, milk, goat milk, organic milk, potatoes, organic vegetables and maple syrup. Non-farmers on the council include a veterinarian, an implement dealer, a livestock exporter, livestock breeders, a farm supplier, an insurance broker, and an auctioneer.

I don't have enough room here to list all of the different issues that arose during our two-hour meeting. As you might expect, the most urgent topic for most was the impact of the international borders that have been closed to Canadian livestock as a result of BSE.

Even though I can't relay all of the details, I do want to share with you a rather profound impression that I was left with as a result of the many comments and suggestions I heard. We, as Canadians, must ask ourselves if it's important to us that we maintain the capacity to feed ourselves 10 years from now – or 20 years from now – or 50 years from now. Do we value our capacity to grow food in this country? To turn the question around - are we comfortable with the notion of importing all or most of our food from other countries?

In my opinion, preserving the ability to feed ourselves should be a priority for every Canadian. This isn't just about helping farmers or protecting family farms. This is an important issue of food security and national sovereignty.

Purple loosestrife a menacing beauty

by IZABELA JAROSZYNSKI
Times staff

Sharon Travis was on an evening stroll when she spotted it.

Hiding in the midst of local weeds and wild flowers, Travis noticed a patch of bright purple

"It was hard to see," she says, "because the other weeds are so tall. But there was a small clump of it."

Since it was the first time Travis had noticed purple loosestrife anywhere in Haliburton County, she was anxious to rid her area of it.

"I've watched it spreading further south," she says. "If it gets started, it will spread fast…I am very concerned."

Travis has reason to be nervous.

Often called the marsh monster, the exotic invader, or the beautiful killer, the mesmerizing purple wildflower invades wetlands, dominates local plants, and destroys the habitat of native species.

Across Canada, Lythrum salicaria, more commonly known as purple loosestrife, has been an increasingly alarming problem since the plant was first introduced to North America more than 200 years ago.

Today as this pretty predator is becoming an increasingly common sight in Ontario, organizations across the province are working together to combat its spread.

Dawn Hutchinson is the invasive species public awareness liaison for the Ontario Federation of Anglers and Hunters (OFAH). She helps to administer OFAH's purple loosestrife control program, which is a cooperative effort between the federation, Ontario Ministry of Natural Resources, Wetland Habitat Fund, and Ducks Unlimited Canada.

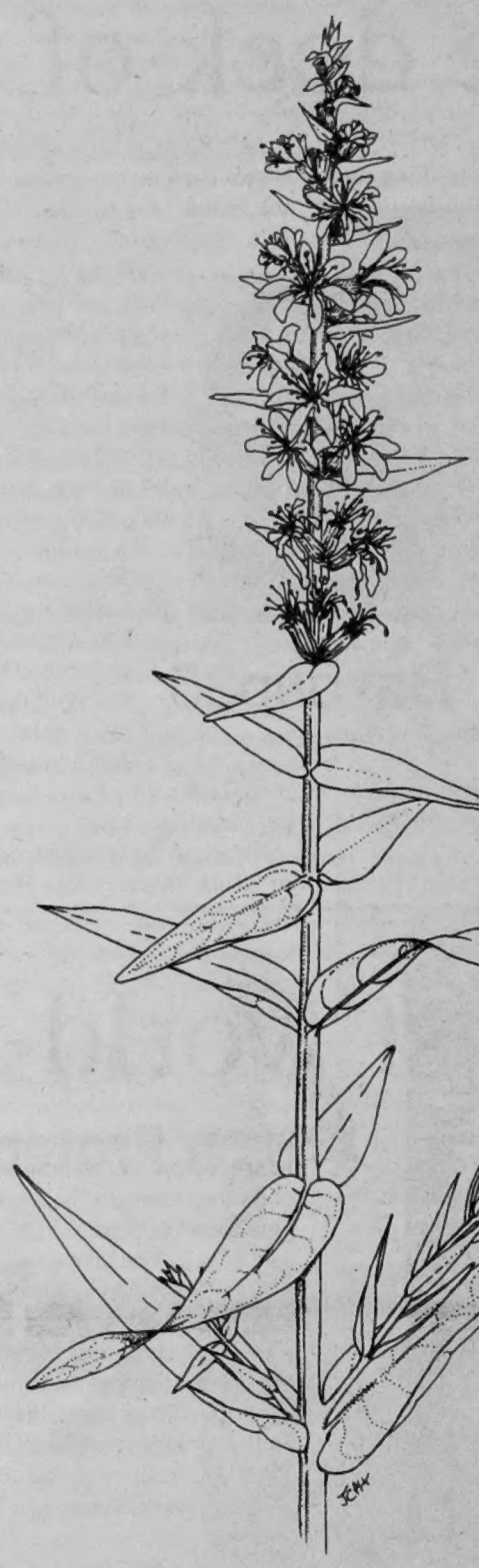
The program, she says, has proven to be effective.

"It has been very successful," she said. "Especially in watershed releases."

The program involves the release of two types of beetles – the Galerucella calmariensis and the Galerucella pussila – both of which have been proven to be the natural predator for purple loosestrife.

"All releases involve releasing 5,000 larvae into the field or wetland, wherever the infestation is," Hutchinson explained.

The beauty of the program is that these beetles specifically require the purple loosestrife plant to complete their life cycle. They feed, mate, and even lay eggs on it. In the winter, they hide underneath the plant.



As a result of their need for the plant, loosestrife populations diminish quickly and are kept in check for many years, making this program an effective long-term solution, Hutchinson says.

And just as quickly as loosestrife seeds spread across large areas, these beetles also relocate.

"Because they depend on it, [the beetles] don't completely eradicate the plant," Hutchinson said. "They won't eat themselves out of house and home."

So when a plant population declines significantly, some beetles move to another area rich in loosestrife, making one release go a long way in controlling the plants.

In the summer of 2003, the program specifically targeted northern Ontario, completing 40 releases between June and July. Hutchinson said that areas in Bancroft and Haliburton County were included in last year's program. This year the releases are targeting eastern Ontario. If funding for the program continues, Hutchinson says that next year's target area will be central Ontario and areas in Haliburton County may be revisited.

Once a release is completed, the program requires volunteers to observe the site and monitor it for beetle activity.

The beetles, which are not native to Ontario, were approved for introduction into the province in 1992 by Agriculture Canada. They first had to undergo significant tests to ensure that they would not be a danger to other plants or native wildlife. But Hutchinson says that in the years since the programs implementation, there have been no complaints about adverse affects due to the beetles. The only difference in release areas has been the reduction of loosestrife.

"It's remarkable," she says of the difference in before and after pictures of release sites.

In the fight against purple loosestrife, OFAH also runs another program – Project Purple. This annual education campaign, which takes place between August 1 – 7, seeks to teach residents about the dangers of the plant and steps that can be taken to control it.

"It is a week dedicated to promoting public awareness," Hutchinson says. During the week, OFAH provides groups with materials – such as slideshows and power point presentations – necessary to run an educational event about loosestrife.

Hutchinson says that as the problem spreads, it is important to make everyone aware of its side effects.

"[Project Purple] is a really good opportunity to keep the subject in the public eye," she said.

In Haliburton County, only Dysart et al. has thus far passed a by-law defining purple loosestrife as a noxious weed.

Tammy McKelvney, the township's CAO, says the by-law was passed in way back in 1991.

Algonquin Highlands CAO Gerald Bain says that he keeps a folder with all the information he has received over the years about the problem. If the need arises, he says the township will re-examine the issue.

Minden Hills environment manager, Bob Romberg,

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Once purple loosestrife gets into a wet area, it chokes out all other plants. Right now it's up to individuals to get rid of the plants.

A single plant can generate up to three million seeds a year

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says that in recent memory, he has only had one phone call asking about purple loosestrife.

It is believed that purple loosestrife originally came from Europe, either by accident or intentionally brought over by immigrants charmed by its beauty.

The plant's most characteristic feature is its pretty pink-purple flower which blooms annually from late June through to early fall. It can grow as tall as two metres.

But most impressive is the plant's ability to reproduce. A single plant can produce as many as 30 stems, which grow out from one central root system. Over the period of one year, each plant can generate up to three million seeds, which – being small and light – are easily carried large distances by natural elements, animals, or on human clothing. These seeds are extremely viable, able to withstand many conditions and enjoy close to a 100 per cent germination rate.

For those who observe loosestrife in their own backyard, Hutchinson suggests calling the Invading Species Hotline at 1-800-563-7711 to get more information.

If the infestation is small, she says it is possible to handle it manually by removing the plants – including roots – and then disposing them into the landfill site. But she advises that the plants be first placed into a bag and dried out to prevent spreading the seeds into the areas around the landfill.

If the infestation is large, residents should contact Hutchinson or the hotline to ask for assistance.

The patch of loosestrife that Travis found was located on the side of a county road, and after voicing her concerns, the county cleared the patch away.

For her part, Travis has promised to keep her eye open for the purple menace and will keep informing the proper authorities if she finds more instances of it in her area.

"I hope others will, too," she added.

HHHS buys Kirkwood home

The following are brief reports of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Board of Directors meeting on September 2.

The Board of Directors went into a closed session to discuss property issues. CEO Keith Sansford later reported that HHHS has purchased a piece of property adjacent to the Minden site. The property, the former home of Laura and Dick Kirkwood, was purchased during an auction held July 29.

"We are considering a number of uses for the property, all related to the delivery of health services," chairman Dick Charron said. "The Board and the Governance and Planning Committee are currently examining a number of potential options for the site."

"The delivery of health services will continue to grow as our population ages," Sansford added. "There is no question that we will be requiring additional space as the needs of our community expand. Planning for those changes is part of the responsibility of the corporation."

It was noted that the purchase was made without accessing the resources of the Haliburton Highlands Health Services Foundation.

Water pressure

Significant problems with water pressure at the Minden site have caused fluctuations in water temperatures in Hyland Crest. This is putting HHHS in non-compliance with the Ministry of Health and must be rectified as quickly as possible. HHHS is working with Minden Hills for long-term solutions, but in the short-term will be installing booster pumps to ensure adequate pressure and that proper water temperatures are in place.

Minden physiotherapy

A new physiotherapy service will officially open in HHHS Minden on September 30. It will make the service more accessible to residents in this area of the county. The present staff will spend five days at Minden, Monday to Friday on a weekly basis.

The new physiotherapy area is through the Community Health Centre entrance, beside the Minden Medical Clinic. Doctor referrals are required for appointments. The physio department can be contacted at 286-2140 Ext. 228

Full accreditation awarded

Margaret Risk, chair of the Governance and Planning Committee, was very happy to announce that HHHS has received full accreditation status for three years. The mock evacuation exercises that occurred in the spring were part of the requirements and the Canadian Council of Health Services Accreditation has awarded HHHS the status of excellence.

Infection control excellence

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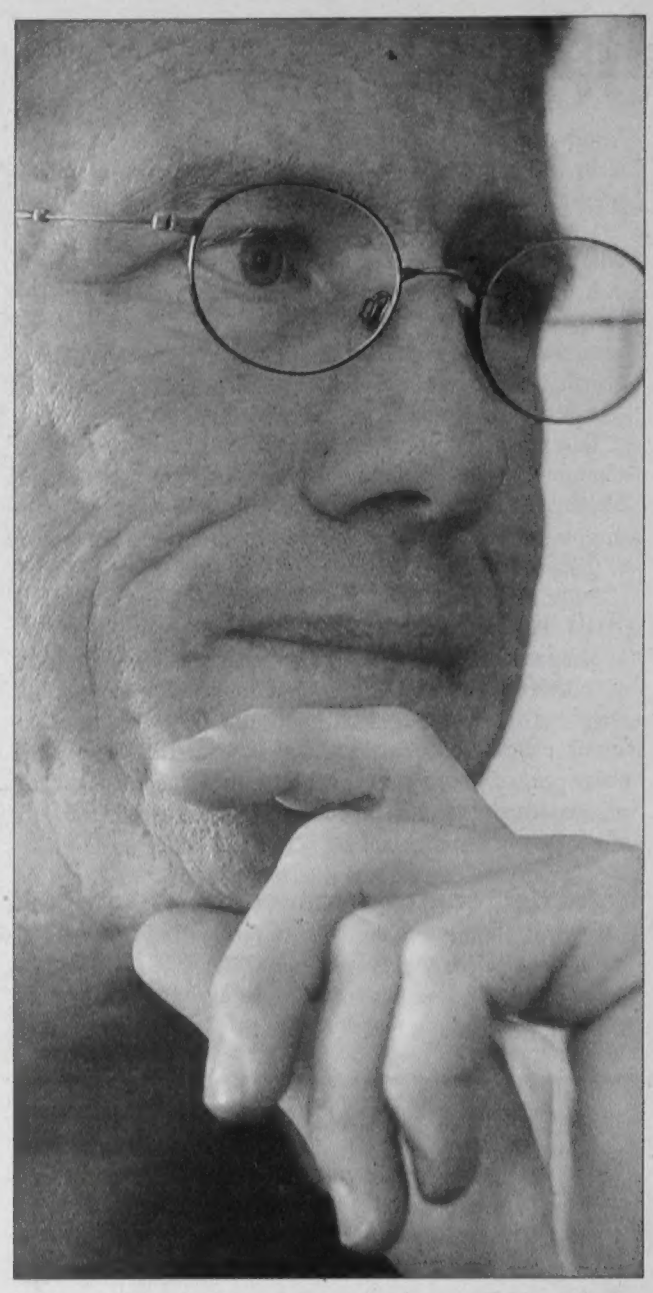

Michael Sifton is the man now in charge of *The Minden Times*.

New boss says readers won't notice much of a difference

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lifetime of experience."

Michael Sifton, whose family's ties to newspapers go back two generations, created Osprey in 2001 when he bought a cluster of Ontario papers from the Hollinger newspaper chain.

He met with staff at *The Echo* and *The Times* on Wednesday, in part to reassure them that Osprey does not plan to make any major changes to the two papers.

"First, they are a pair of wonderful papers and you've been recognized for that with your countless awards," he said in an interview at *The Echo*. "We're not buying you to change you, we're buying you because of your success... We're looking to learn from you guys to help improve the content and presentation of our other papers."

Apart from the icon of an Osprey on the papers' editorial page mastheads, readers will not notice much of a difference in the style or substance of the papers. All the staff have been retained and there will be no editorial or managerial dictates coming from the head office. For instance, there is no pressure to change the newspapers' philosophy of keeping all content local.

"We give folks a ton of authority," Sifton says. "It's a trust arrangement. I put a great deal of trust in people in the field. The only changes that will occur are changes that you deem appropriate."

That commitment to keeping the community focus in community newspapers is backed up by Sifton's actions following previous purchases.

For a profile of Sifton in the *Ryerson Review of Journalism*, writer Meghan Clarke talked to Andrea Kriluck, the region editor of *The St. Catharines Standard* and Fred Laflamme of the *Kingston Whig Standard*.

Clarke says that after numerous changes in ownership, staff members at *The Standard* were "rejoicing" when the paper was bought by Osprey. "Mike Sifton is a man who has a long history in newspapers," Kriluck says. "He really understands what newspapers are about."

Laflamme says "He absolutely respects the integrity of the local newspaper. His view is the newspaper knows best what's happening in the local marketplace."

In his *Echo* interview Sifton says, "It's a philosophy my father held of managing from within the markets, not from afar. He lived in Toronto and owned papers in the Prairies. How else do you do that than by empowering people? It makes for better decision-making by having the decisions made locally."

Pizzey applauds Sifton's approach, which was an important factor when deciding who would be the new owner.

"The staff of the newspapers have spent so many years trying to make the best community newspapers that reflect local life in all it's aspects, and we are recognized outside the community for the qualities we try to achieve," Pizzey says. "I believe in Osprey's management style, which is to let publishers operate according to their own standards and what the community wants and needs. Any changes I foresee would be changes that result in better newspapers.

"For instance, Osprey has technological expertise, training and career opportunities, as well as a greater opportunity to learn from the experience of others. That's one of the advantages of belonging to a network of community newspapers."

As part of Pizzey's new role, he will have the opportunity to reproduce *The Echo's* success with special publications, such as *Summer Guide, County Life, The Home and Services Directory*, in neighbouring markets. (Osprey also owns papers in Bancroft, Barry's Bay, Barrie, Peterborough and Lindsay as well as papers such as The *Kingston Whig Standard, St. Catharines Standard* and *The Sudbury Star.*

Sifton says *The Echo* and *Times* are part of the company's strategy to increase its profile in cottage country. The company already owns several papers in areas that serve cottagers and has a publication called *Cottage Times.*

"We have this great network of cottage publications – all we have to do is build the foundation. That's a niche *The Echo* and *Times* helps us fill."

Deciding to sell the papers was part of a long process for Pizzey, who came to The Echo in 1978 as its editor. At that

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Siftons didn't lay off anyone during Depression

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time, the paper was owned by John Zylstra, who would soon run into financial difficulties. "The newspaper was saved, literally, by a group of local businessmen – Dave Grey, Gerry Dawson, Vince Connaughan, Ken Wilson, Creighton Feir [who had previously owned the paper with his father, Berkeley], Don Popple and Peter Curry."

They bought the paper and later offered Pizzey the option to purchase one-sixth of the paper. When the time came for Pizzey to buy a share of the paper, the owners suggested that he buy the entire company, which he did. He bought *The Minden Times* from Jack Brezina in November of 2001.

While many papers grow through increased ad content, Pizzey recognized that that type of growth was limited in this market. Instead, he broadened the company's reach by starting several new publications, the latest of which were On the Go and the large-print phone book.

A year and a half ago Pizzey's wife, Kit, retired from her teaching job at the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School. That brought into focus his own retirement plans. Although he was interested in selling the papers he didn't want to leave the business altogether.

"It was a good time to sell because we had the two major newspaper publishing companies both indicating an interest in our company. That's a rare situation. Quite often independent publishers find themselves as islands surrounded by corporate-owned newspapers which leaves them with only one buyer.

"Newspapers like *The Echo* and *Times*, although small compared the dailies, are too large to be purchased by an independent buyer. That just doesn't happen any more. As well, both companies indicated they wanted me to continue on as publisher and take on additional responsibilities."

He also sees being part of a larger company as a benefit to the staff. "The sale provides staff with things that I as an independent, small business owner couldn't afford. That includes a pension plan and healthcare benefits. For our young reporters, who look on *The Echo* and *Times* as a starting point for their careers, being part of Osprey now gives them the opportunity to move on to larger newspapers, especially dailies, which is something many of them desire.

"Overall, I'm happy [with the sale.] I feel good I was able to choose both the time and opportunity rather than have the choice forced on us, as it has been in many other community newspaper situations."

Sifton's ties to the newspaper business extend back to his great-grandfather, Sir Clifford Sifton, who bought the old *Manitoba Free Press*, now the *Winnipeg Free Press*. Other papers were purchased and then divided between two of his sons. Sifton's grandfather, Clifford Jr., became owner of the *Regina Leader-Post* and *Saskatoon Star Phoenix*, as well as several radio and television stations.

Michael Sifton grew up in Toronto but often travelled to Manitoba and Saskatchewan with his father, who took over ownership from his father. Michael Sr. is described as having many of the same attributes as his son.

"Sifton's father knew every employee by name, despite visiting his papers only a handful of times a year," Clarke writes in the *Ryerson Review*. "But the family was most famous for its benevolent newspapering and no-layoff policy – during the Depression in the 1930s, amid wholesale layoffs elsewhere, the Siftons never jettisoned a soul."

Darren Lum/TIMES

Shaking hands: Michael Sifton and Len Pizzey are both happy about the sale.

Michael Jr. started his own newspaper career as a reporter with the *Brockville Reporter* and *Times* and moved on to the *Standard* and *Canadian Press*. He moved his family – he and his wife have two daughters, one of whom accompanied him on his tour of *The Echo* and *Times*, and son – to Saskatoon when he became publisher of the *Star Phoenix* and *Leader-Post*.

Through it all, his love of newspapers grew even deeper.

"I love the business," he says. With newspapers, "I think you can make a difference to the community, the province and Canada. You can do that by doing all the things you do here. "A lot of other companies go and make their money and do good with it; we do good with the company and by doing a good job we help the community. I don't know of any other business that can be so fulfilling."

In 1996, he sold the two prairie newspapers to Conrad Black's Hollinger chain. "It was the right thing for my family to do at the time and it was at a time when Hollinger was rapidly expanding," he says.

But, like Pizzey, just because he had given up ownership he did not want to get out of the newspaper business. He became president of a group of Hollinger's 48 daily newspapers and re-focused the papers' energies on being mirrors of their communities.

When Hollinger began divesting itself of papers in 2000, most were sold to CanWest Global. In the next wave of sales, Sifton, with the help of the Ontario Teachers' Pension Plan and Scotia Merchant Capital, bought 29 papers. He's been buying them ever since. The week he purchased *The Echo* and *Times* he also bought a small paper in northern Ontario.

Sifton, in some ways, is a man of contradictions. Although he has a hands-off management style, he is intimately aware of each newspaper's operations and personnel. He knows every aspect of the business, from how papers are distributed to whose father recently passed away. He works long days, from seven in the morning to seven at night, and made a point of introducing himself to each staff member of *The Echo* and *Times*, asking them if they had any questions or concerns, not leaving the task up to one of his managers.

"I love the business, I love the people in it," he says as he and his daughter prepare to continue on to the family's cottage (which he sheepishly admits is in the Thousand Islands, not the Highlands.) "I do have a passion for it."

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Kinmount Fair puts fun end to summer

A little girl walks down the aisle of the chicken coop after all the judging was complete.

Throngs of people attended the 133rd annual Kinmount Fair held during the Labour Day weekend. Estimates were in the tens of thousands. With so many diverse attractions, there was something for everyone to see and do. From the midways to the derby and the agriculture component of the fair, people of all ages and tastes were satisfied by this year's fair. The Warriors' Day Parade on Saturday was a crowd favourite.

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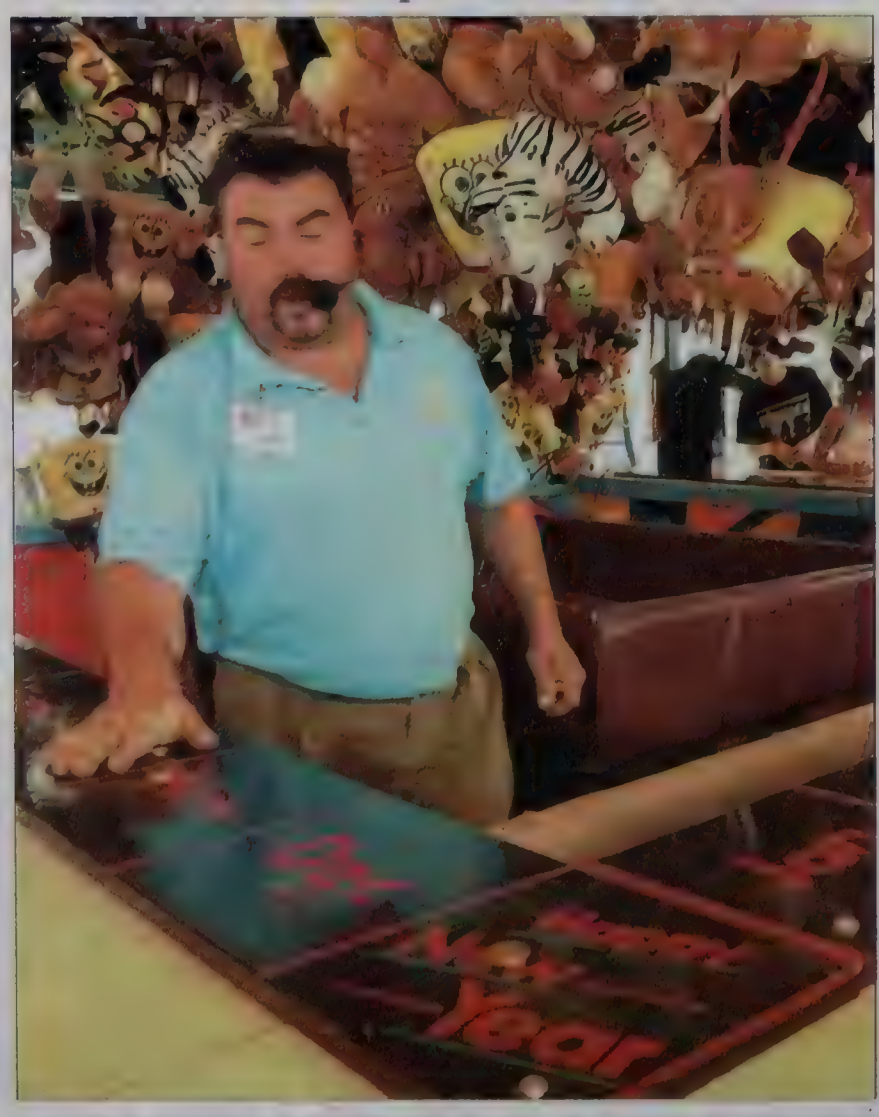
A crowd of people wait for the Scrambler with the Zipper ride rotating in the background on the first evening of the fair.



A carnival employee walks around collecting the loonies from the losing bets at guess the month game on the second day of the fair.

Left: On the first night the crowds were still strong as seen in this night scene seen from the parking lot on Friday.

Below right: A derby referee drops the green flag to give the signal to start the second heat of the demolition derby.

Below: Fishing for ducks a young boy is excited to win.

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Kinmount Medical Centre expands health services

Physiotherapist Sandra Butler excited about joining team

by JERRY GROZELLE
Times staff

The Kinmount and District Health Centre now has the services of a physiotherapist. Sandra Butler started Tuesday, September 7.

Butler is a registered physiotherapist who brings 19 years' experience to Kinmount. She says she is very excited to open her practice here and she is looking forward to a change in lifestyle.

"I'm glad to get away from the screaming vehicles, the road rage and a place where everyone seems to be angry," she said. "Here, I can exhale."

Butler believes her work will give her more satisfaction in a small community where her results of her labours will be more evident. "I reached a stage where I want to do things to make a difference," she said.

An avid outdoorswoman who enjoys skiing, snowshoeing, hiking, canoeing and other outdoor adventures, Butler is looking forward spending more time enjoying those pursuits. She has had a cottage in the Kinmount area for almost four years, so she is familiar with the area. She likes the fact that there are still plenty of open spaces in this area. "It is relatively underpopulated," she said. "It's not like Muskoka. This is a relaxing atmosphere.

"I came here because the Kinmount District Health Foundation's values and ethics are really alluring, and because of the area's purity," she said. "The people are really nice here. It's a wonderful community."

A graduate of the University of Toronto, Butler has a wealth of experience, including a scholarship that sent her to Nanjing, China to study traditional eastern medicine, such as acupuncture. She also spent a year working in Sydney, Australia.

Jerry Grozelle/TIMES

A cottager in the area for four years, Sandra Butler is happy to leave road rage behind as she joins Drs. Elena Mihu and Zsuzsanna Kaszas at the Kinmount clinic.

Butler has served as director of rehabilitation services for a group of 13 clinics and she has set up about 14 clinics for various organizations.

For much of the past 10 years Butler has worked in a management capacity. She will continue to do some consulting in Toronto, but her focus is providing physiotherapy services to the people of Kinmount and the surrounding area. "I hope to build it to a full-time practice here," she said. Ten to 15 clients a day would be enough to suit her anticipated lifestyle.

She is off to a good start. Her first day at the Centre resulted in three referrals.

A press release issued by the Kinmount District Health Centre welcomes Butler to the Centre's team of health care professionals. She joins doctors Elena Mihu and Zsuzsanna Kaszas. They said in the release that Butler "brings 19 years experience assisting individuals in maximizing their physical potential, utilizing sports-medicine principles to optimize recovery. Sandra embraces a health and wellness approach which compliments our philosophy very well."

Dr. Mihu said she is excited to have Butler on staff at the Centre. "She will help people with musculo-skeletal problems," Mihu said. She noted that the area has an aging population and afflictions such as arthritis are prevalent. Even the younger generation, with work and sports-related injuries will benefit from Butler's services.

"Staying mobile and active is very important to general health," Mihu said. "She seems very motivated toward prevention and education." Mihu noted that just because someone is suffering with pain, it doesn't mean he or she should stop doing things.

Both doctors, as well as the recruitment committee, interviewed Butler. "It was felt her philosophy fit in with ours," Dr. Mihu said.

The physiotherapy department of the Medical Centre occupies two rooms in the downstairs portion of the building.

Butler said she will be working hard to earn the respect of the community. She needs to get a few more people through the door and she is confident that goal can be achieved.

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Support Dorset's Knox United Church by attending the annual Roast Beef Dinner fundraiser for the Lake of Bays United Churches at the Dwight Community Centre on Saturday, September 11 from 5 to 7 p.m. Tickets are available at the door - $12 for adults and $6 for children 12 and under.

Artist Maggie Broda is hosting a Watercolour Workshop at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Saturday, September 18 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. for adults and children ages 8 to 13. All materials are supplied and the cost is $25 for adults and $20 for children. If you are interested, registration is required – give the Rec Centre a call at 705-766-9968.

The Dorset Volunteer Fire Department's 50s & 60s Dance is on Saturday, September 18 from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. Admission is $10 and tickets are available from Donna at 766-9253. Get out your Bobbie socks and poodle skirts!

Tickets are going fast for the Dorset Volunteer Fire Department Thanksgiving Dinner on Sunday, October 10 with two sittings, one at 4:30 p.m. and one at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are $12 for adults, $10 for seniors and $6 for children 12 and under. Call Donna at 766-9253.

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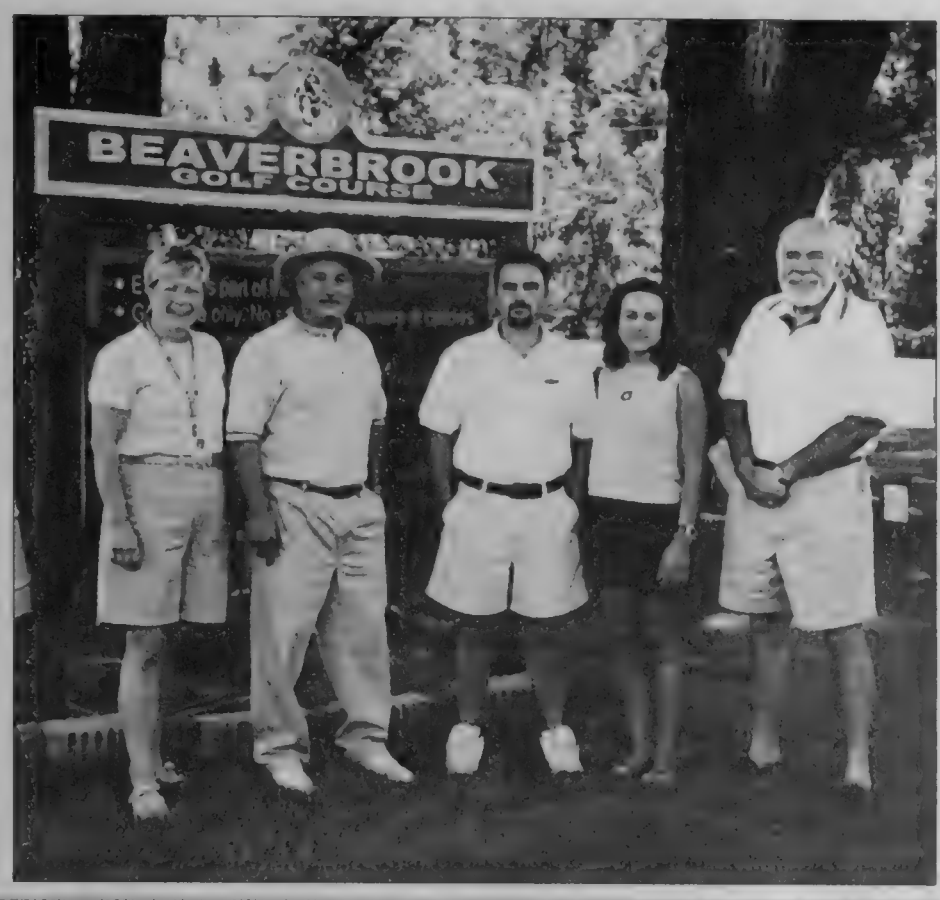
Here are some interesting facts which emphasize the importance of recycling, quoted from the Canadian Geographic Magazine by your Waste Management Committee: 1) Energy saved by producing new steel, glass and plastic from recycled material: 33%; 2) Carbon Dioxide emissions spared for every tonne of aluminum diverted from landfill by recycling: 2 tonnes; 3) Energy saved for every tonne of recycled paper equals 1440 litres of oil (Canada produced 29.4 million tones of paper in 2001); 4) Reduction in air pollution when paper is made from waste rather than virgin fibre — 73% The space saved in our landfills is not the only benefit of diversion!

Birthday wishes for September 5 to 11 go out to Darlene Chatelain, Gloria Morris, Teri DeBoer, Mary Graham, Sondra Aubin, Kevin Ryalen, Samuel Taylor, Pearl Belanger and Rose Niedermyer. Have a great day!



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Hike gets arts season off to rousing start

The new fall programming at the Minden Hills Cultural Centre has arrived just in time as the leaves start to change!

To start off the fall season on September 11 from 12:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. (weather permitting) is Art Outdoors - Hiking Haliburton Highlands. Instructor Gary Blundell will guide you through the outdoors to enjoy the beautiful fall colours as well as teach some techniques that he has to share. Work in your media of choice - pastels, watercolour, pencil, ink etc.

Transportation will be provided, with pick-up and drop off are at the Cultural Centre parking lot. Space is limited.

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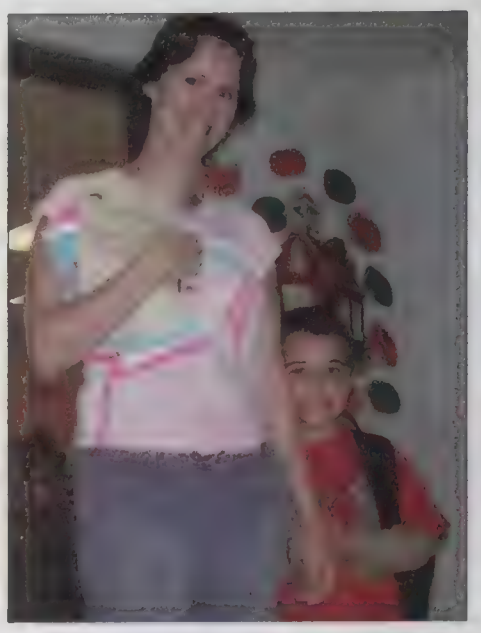

Six-year old Tyson Shelly clung to his mom's hand as she leads him towards his Grade 1 classroom.

Excited and soggy from the rain, students make their way from the buses into the school.

The start of a new year at Archie Stouffer Elementary School

Second graders Tyler Martin, Dalton Burgess, and Curran Chambers took seats next to each other and flipped through their books as they waited for school to begin.

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News from Hyland Crest

It's so hard to believe we're into September already! Where has the summer gone? It seems like yesterday we were all excited about getting our flowers planted and now it's time to think about fall cleanup.

We have kept busy and enjoyed the last few months so perhaps that's why summer has seemed to fly by.

We and our friends from the VON Adult Day Care enjoyed a Nite Club act this past month with Rick and Julie. They knew all the songs from our past and they kept our minds hopping trying to remember them. They really got us involved as we sang and clapped along. There music was contagious and we just couldn't help ourselves. We can't forget Benji their dancing dog who was obviously a big hit with everyone. They originate from Sudbury and were heading to the Kitchener area for a summer gig. Good luck all and thank you.

Our ever-faithful entertainers kept our hands clapping and our feet tapping each visit. There is something about music that brightens our spirits even for hours after the show is over. You bring a wonderful kind of medicine in your visits. We have the Northern Hillbillys, Down Memory Lane, Gord Kidd, Northern Jam, and the Hot Flashes to than for bring songs and joy to our hearts.

We really enjoy our ice cream on the weekends. The varieties are endless and our goal is to try them all. Joan and Kim work hard to see our project through each week and we do appreciate it ladies.

The Tea Party groups outdid themselves with their delectable treats. They truly spoil us and "we love it"! August brought Club 35, Maple Lake Church and The Gelert Ladies. Their visits are always a pleasure. Thank you all for your kindness and good company.

Elaine and her adorable dog Gypsy are back visiting us; we missed you both, welcome back.

A few of us had the pleasure of attending the Horticultural Flower Show. We were made to feel right at home while enjoying the beautiful array of flowers.

Those of us that can't get out are enjoying our days out at the gazebo, watching movies, and enjoying the pleasurable visits of the volunteers. We are fortunate to have these wonderful people who give of themselves to make our lives more fulfilling and enjoyable.

Would you believe us if we told you we all went camping in August? Well we did complete with tent, trees, wildlife and even a campfire and of course campfire songs to go with it. Thanks for this goes out to Joan and Haley. Joan played the part to the hilt in her campers hat and wrapped in a comfy fireside blanket, she looked....mmm very distinct, while Haley arranged the props and sound effects. Now we guess we have you wondering how this could be. You know the old saying, where there's a will, there's a way as we never left the building! However our minds wandered to earlier times with family and friends sitting under the stars in the warm glow of the campfire. It was such fun and so much like the real thing. Thank you all for a great adventure and getaway.

The campfire was an excellent setting for a discussion and on the upper level we took the opportunity to go back to our school days. We tried to remember the best and the worst memories of our school days. We talked about the joys of making best friends, Christmas concerts, getting up and reading in front of the entire class. Those are only a few of our good memories, however none of us could remember a bad experience. Dorothy Shaddock's favourite memory was recess and I am sure many of us agree with her. It was nice to share memories, laughter and even some Tim Bits.

The good people from the Haliburton Highlands Time Travellers were kind enough to come right to Hyland Crest for a private showing of all those beautiful automobiles. Each one of us had our picture taken with our favourite car. Most of us related fondly with Don Crow's 1931 Buick complete with rumble seat. We had an interesting visit and our memories drifted back to the fun times of car periods, mostly the 50's, 60's and 70's. A special thankyou to Karl Feuerpfeil for making this possible. See you next year!

Hope you were able to enjoy something special from our bake sale. People were so giving and as we have the privilege of knowing there are plenty of wonderful bakers in our community. We must have had every one of them kindly donate to our sale as no shortage of baked goods or buyers were there. People are so kind and with everyone's help we 'the residents" raised approximately $425.00. To our bakers, those who set up and helped with the sale and our many happy customers we say "Thank you!"

Talking of food that reminds us of our Alzheimer's Coffee Break. We'll be raising monies for Alzheimers by serving coffee and goodies on September 16th from 10 a.m. till 4 p.m. We at Hyland Crest see first hand how devastating this disease is and we do hope you will help us by attending. Last year we are proud to say this event raised $171.00!

It is time to thank our clergy who provide our spiritual support and prayers. Rev. Riscylla Shaw, Pastor Ashley Taylor, Rev. Don Madole, Rev. Max Ward, and Father Hart. Our Chapel Services are very important to us.

August brought the loss of resident and friend Nora Hogg. We're sure you remember her when she operated Nora's Hair Salon here in Minden. We will miss her! Our condolences to her family and friends.

There are so many volunteers and staff who enrich our lives and we are thankful. We are happy to say that on Thursday September 23rd there will be a Volunteer Appreciation evening at the Haliburton Legion. Friends please keep this date clear on your calendar and if through any miscommunication you do not receive an invitation and you are a volunteer please call Nancy Lee, 286 2140, ext. 238 or Kim Britton 457-1392 ext.247.

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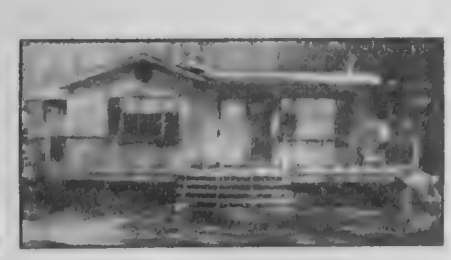

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From September 20th to October 29th, 2004 due to bridge rehabilitation.

DETOURS are in effect and we are asking that you use Bethel church Road at Highway #21 (formerly #121), or Reynolds Road or Duck Lake Road, to access areas affected by the bridge closure.

Enquiries may be made to:
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August temperatures never crack 30°

by PHIL GRAHAM
Special to The Times

Most of summer has passed, and very quickly, even though everyone was looking for better conditions.

August was much like July with less rain. The best days of the month were the 15th to 25th, both warm and sunny. The highest temperature was 29° – it didn't even hit 30! The lowest temperature was 4°, about same as last August. The average temperature was 17.3°, about two degrees cooler than last August.

The river temper was cooler than last August.

Average high: 23.4° C, 74.3° F
Average low: 11.2° C, 52.1° F
Average for the month: 17.3° C, 63.1° F
Average for last August: 19.4° C, 66.9° F
Highest temperature: Aug. 2: 29.0° C 84.2° F
Lowest temperature: Aug. 24: 4.° C, 39.2° F
Rain: 55.6 mm, 2.1 in
Snow: 0
Total precipitation: 55.6 mm, 2.1 in
Total precipitation for last August: 117. mm, 4.6 in
River Temperature: Aug. 31: 21.5° C, 70.7° F
Days mostly sunny: 10
Days with rain: 8
Days with thunderstorms: 3
Days with freezing rain: 0

Trivia: Hurricane season is on and we have already seen several hit Florida. Frances is in action now and Ivan is right behind. Yet to come are Jeanne, Karl, Lisa, Mathew and Nicole.

Correction

The Minden Health Care Auxiliary barbecue, held at the home of George and Margaret Bull, raised more than $2,000. About 170 people attended the event, which also featured entertainment by several local musicians, including Sonia and Mike Proctor, Joe Fischer and The Hot Flashes. Last week's report contained a typo which made it look like the event raised $2.00. We apologize for the mistake.

Barefoot in the park

Standing barefoot on the beach at Barrie's Heritage Park, and surrounded by delighted family and friends, Sue Carr was married to Justin Tiffin on August 6. Sue is the daughter of Ben and Val Carr of Minden and Justin is the son of Joan and Rick Tiffin of Kincardine. The Maid of Honour was Amanda Duncombe of Haliburton and the Best Man was David Lumsden of Victoria, B.C.. They are planning a honeymoon in Mexico this November. Justin is a freelance web designer and Sue is a communications agent at In-Sync, a marketing company in Toronto. To see more photos visit their wedsite at www.justinandsue.com.

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Sunday's games are a fun way to support our local firefighters

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Woo Hoo! The kids are back to school! After a summer that some would put in their grey sky books, it seems to be shaping up to be a good fall. Fall weather is quickly approaching, there are even some bright red leaves to prove it.

Fall is a fun time of year and is my favourite season. Why wouldn't it be? It's not too hot, not too cold, there is beautiful colours everywhere, turkey for Thanksgiving, candy at Hallowe'en and of course the craft sales and studio tour. So just when you think the fun is over in Stanhope, take a look around and guess again!

Don't forget to sound the sirens! This Sunday September 12th bring the family to get involved and be a spectator at the Annual Haliburton County Medical Aid Firefighters Association Firefighter Games. Support our local Stanhope firefighters by participating in the day's events. The day includes truck and event observing, tug of war, and auto extrication demonstrations. The kids can enjoy face painting, a visit with Sparky the Fire Dog, spray targets (yes, kids get to use a real fire hose), rescue races, and tug of war. Everyone will be sure to enjoy the BBQ including hamburgers, hot dogs, sausage, peameal on a bun and beverages.

A 50/50 draw will also be taking place. You can buy ticket in advance: one ticket for $2 or three for $5. If you wish to purchase some tickets to support the purchase of rescue equipment you can call Alisha at 489-4196, otherwise tickets will be on sale that day. You won't want to miss the chance to see our local firefighters at their best. Let the games begin! (At 11 a.m. by the way.)

If you are an avid user of the trails and tours network in Stanhope and surrounding area, you will want to take advantage of a one-day workshop which will provide you with a framework to develop your own trail signage plan. Please bring maps of a trail to use as a case study in order to develop a trail signage plan. Topics to be covered include: signage material, cost, standards, layout, function and format, vandalism. The workshop is six hours and costs $60. (A subsidy is available to trail groups.

It all takes place on Friday September 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information on this workshop or upcoming workshops call the Trails & Tours office at 489-4049. Registration and cancellation deadline is September 10. That's today! You'd better hurry!

After a busy summer at our landfill sites, the waste management committee would like to thank everyone for their cooperation.

A party is happening at the Lounge Café! The Café is thrilled to announce that British guitar *überGod* John Renbourn, along with Don Ross, will put on a wonderful concert at The Lounge Cafe, Monday, Sept.13. Tickets are $25 each and are available at The Lounge Cafe in Carnarvon (Hwy.118, just east of Hwy.35) or by calling 705-489-3311. Doors open at 7:00 p.m.. This is a chance of a lifetime to see these two masters of acoustic guitar on stage together. It will be a night to remember!

Tickets are going fast, so don't miss out on this one.

If you are a craft sale vendor and would like to rent a space for the annual craft sale and soup kitchen on October 2 and 3 call us at 705-766-9968. The craft sale takes place on Studio Tour weekend and is sure to bring in a great crowd of people. Don't miss your chance to sell your crafts! Proceeds go towards recreation for the Stanhope community.

Enjoy what your community has to offer and participate in the events that are put together for you to enjoy. Life is too short to take advantage of your surroundings. Make some time for yourself and your family and get involved in the community. Give me something to write about! E-mail me at alisha_stevens20@hotmail.com.

Visiting author taps into writers' passion for words

The Haliburton Highlands Writers' and Editors' Network is pleased to feature author and mentor, Dorothea Helms, at its upcoming brunch on Saturday, September 18 at Halimar Resort on South Kashagawigamog Lake Road. Helms' presentation will include the topic "risk management for writers."

On a professional level, Helms co-owns the highly successful freelance writing business Write Stuff, Write Services and has an impressive roster of publishing credits behind her, including articles in such publications as *The Toronto Sun, Chatelaine, Stitches: The Journal of Medical Humour, Popular Woodworking, The Business and Professional Woman*, and *Big Buck*. She has been featured on CBC radio for her humour writing and is an award-winning poet.

Helms is well known for her generosity of spirit and time spent helping closet writers to emerge and make their magic known. On the board of the Writers, Circle of Durham Region, she is an inspirational presence. Also in a creative writing class at Durham College, she excels in mentoring new writers.

Brunch begins at 11 a.m. with a full menu of eggs, bacon, sausages, pancakes, French toast, fruit, juice, tea or coffee . The cost is $13 for members and $16 for others. Call Kay Millard at (705) 286-6635 by September 15.

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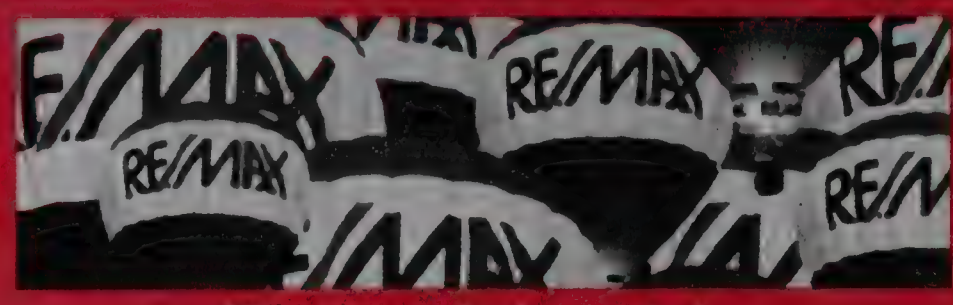

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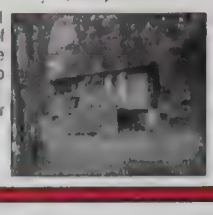

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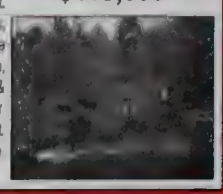

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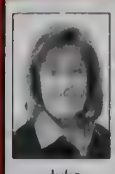
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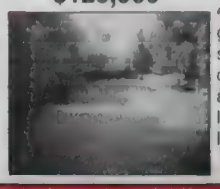

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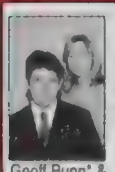
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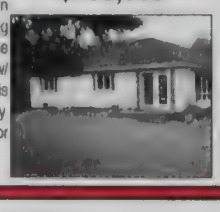

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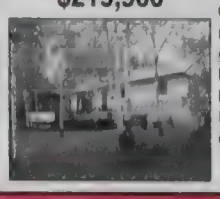
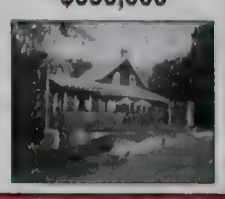
Waterfront home on Ben Oir Lake. 35 miles of boating, great fishing! 2 garages, level lot, finished bsmt & gazebo. Too many features, call for all the info! Call Vince Duchene

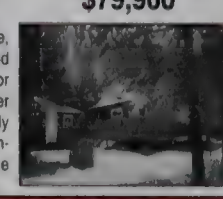


MOOSE LAKE — $650,000
Outstanding view. One of the most private & best lots, very gently sloping to level lot. Home/cottage offers 4 Bdrms, huge Living Room, Kitchen, Dining Room area. Open concept.



Elizabeth Thompson*

IRONDALE RIVER GOODERHAM — $79,900
Cozy 2 Bdrm in cottage, pine firs, Liv Rm w/wood stove, lrg deck, outdoor fireplace. No septic, water by rain barrel. Priv nicely treed lot. Excellent swimming boat & canoe included. Call Elizabeth



LITTLE REDSTONE LAKE — $339,000
3 Bedroom Vinceroy cottage-Sunken living rm finished in pine with w/o front deck. Side deck off kitchen & DR. 150' of shore. Beautiful sunsets. Call Elizabeth.

Victor Disik*

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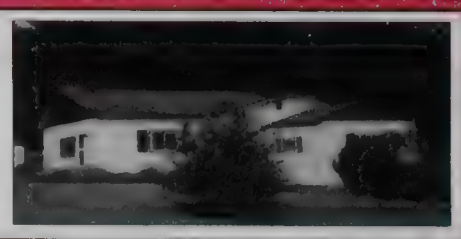

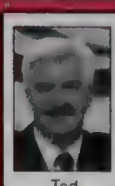
Ted Vasey*

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$54,900 & $74,900

CEDAR LAKE
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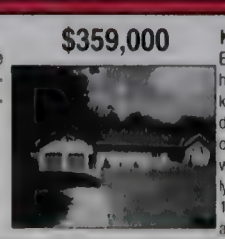
$359,000



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PRIVACY IN MINDEN — Asking $119,000
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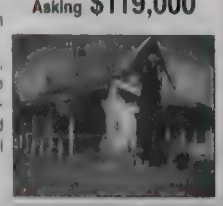

Melanie Vigrass*

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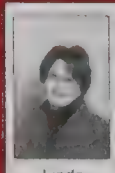
CAREFUL - IT'S LOADED!
This hillside home has a beautiful sunset view in addition to its numerous features; hardwood and ceramic floors, living room fireplace w/insert, formal dining room and eat in kitchen, two bathrooms, hot tub room and more... Call Melanie for a personal tour.


Linda Beachli***

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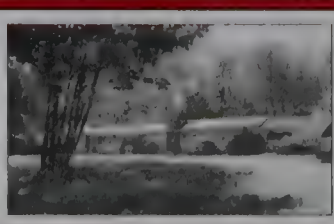

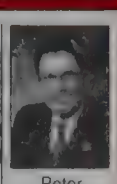
Peter Brady**

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130 LOST & FOUND

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Saturday, September 18, 2004
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Minden Community Centre

340 AUCTIONS/FLEA MARKETS

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There are approximately 8 fiberglass sets. Each set has 2 individual tanks 20' long, 2' wide, 1' high moulded side by side with a 4" space between the tanks. The top is open. **For more information or to list your auction call Norm Mills Auctioneer, Appraiser (705) 286–3535.**

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11 a.m.
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Partial listing: Newly Poulan Pro Chain saw, Honda 1500 generator, 15' Aluminum boat 85 h.p. motor and trailer, motorola Cell Bag phone, Bar fridge, dining room hutch, chairs and table, colonial love seat and chesterfield, antique flat to wall cabinet. twig beds, milk can, lobster trap, accordion, beautiful walnut dining room table, hutch and chairs, antique chairs, glass top dining table, desk, entertainment centre, glass top coffee and end tables, beds, 5 new bifold doors and much more. Parents, Youngsters going to University, beds, dressers etc? Now's the time to shop, not late September!! **For information or to list your auction, call Norm Mills, Auctioneer, Appraiser (705) 286–3535.**

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390 PUBLIC NOTICES

ATTENTION: By special permit there will be a motorcycle rally in progress, Sat. Sept. 18, West Bound between 2:30 p.m. and 5 p.m. on the Rail Trail. Also Sunday, Sept. 19, East Bound between 9:00 a.m. and 12 noon.

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440 THANK YOU

GLADYS WALKER AND family wish to thank family and friends for the kind words of sympathy; donations to the Haliburton Highlands Health Services, food flowers, cards and phone calls during this difficult time in the loss of a husband, father and grandfather, Arnold Walker. A very special thanks to Isabell Fairrey, Minden Hospital staff and paramedics, Kirsten and staff at Monk's Funeral Home. Also s special thanks to Gord Monk for the beautiful eulogy. It was all greatly appreciated.

WE WOULD LIKE to thank everyone who helped to make our Barbecue such a success. Thank you to Home Hardware, Kawartha Dairy, Shepherd Septic Services, Ray Miscio and Canoe F.M. Radio for their donations. Thanks to our entertainers Sonya and Mike Proctor, Joe Fischer, County Hot Flashes. Thank you to Gord Monk, Ray Nobles, Jack Woodcroft, Ray Windover, Mickey Kalm, Ambrose Carrell and Barbara Gillespie for their contributions of time and effort. A special thanks to Jon Hill, all our neighbors who put up with us and the Auxilliary of the Minden Health Care Service for their salads and desserts. Special thanks to Martha and Dave Bull who took two days off vacation to help out, we needed you and to our daughter Christine Fleming for her kindness. All proceeds have been donated to the M.H.C.S. Auxilliary. **Margaret and George Bull.**

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450 IN MEMORIAM

JOHNSTON, ELLWOOD – In memory of a husband and father who left us suddenly Sept. 12, 1985.
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to say how much we miss you.
But it will take the rest of our lives
to forget the day we lost you.
Always remembered by wife Ruby and children.

460 OBITUARIES

MINNIE PENTNEY
Passed away peacefully at the Ross Memorial Hospital, Lindsay on Tuesday, September 7, 2004, at the age of 75.
Beloved wife of John, dear mother of John and his wife Linda, Dave and his wife Bonnie, all of Minden, Lynn and her husband Wayne Moxam of Sioux Lookout. Loving grandmother of Jason, Katie, Jeff, Chad, Don, Leanne and great grandmother of Darcy, Jordan and Tyler. Dear sister of Celeste (the late Arlie Fawcett), Hattie Gill, Fred (Geraldine) and predeceased by Olive Lymberner (Orlo), Nellie Calloway (Ted), Ira (Violet), Graham (Mel), Morlie (Mae), Lloyd (Betty) and by her parents Russell and Etta Bell. Fondly remembered by many nieces, nephews, family and friends. Friends are invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden on Thursday from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Funeral Service in the chapel on Friday, September 10, 2004 at 1:00 p.m. Private Family Interment at Minden Cemetery. Memorial Donations to the MInden Health Care Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family.

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COMMUNITY

what's happening in the Highlands CALENDAR

• **Alzheimer Coffee Break :** September is Coffee Break month at The Alzheimer Society! Over the month of September, individuals and businesses are invited to host a Coffee Break and donate the cost of their favorite beverage to the Alzheimer Society of Peterborough & Area, a community agency that serves to improve the quality of life for persons with Alzheimer Disease and their caregivers in the counties of Peterborough, Northumberland and Haliburton. If you are interested in hosting a Coffee Break, or would like more information, please call David Irwin, Fund Development Coordinator, at the Alzheimer Society Office (705) 748–5131 or toll feee 1–800–561–2588.
• **The Kawartha Sexual Assault Centre** invites you to come & enjoy **Creative Women's Circle**, a Centre Program that takes place Thursdays from 1-3 p.m. Call 705-748-5901.
• **Quilters Etc Club** meeting at Dorset Rec Centre on Fridays from 9-12pm. This is a "drop-in" for knitters, quilters & needle workers. Call Shirley-Anne (705) 766-2738 or Mildred 766-0335.
• **Kinmount Farmers Market** May to october, every Saturday at 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
• **Every Monday** Home Support offers Contract Bridge beginning at 1 p.m. to seniors 55+ or physically disabled adults. Every Thursday join us for Bid Euchre beginning at 1 p.m. Every Friday join us for Cribbage beginning at 1p.m. Please call Ida for more info 457-2941.
• **Dorset TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) Chapter** meets at the Dorset Rec Centre every Monday at 8:30am for a weigh-in and meeting. All are welcome to join.
• **ONTARIO BREAST SCREENING PROGRAM:** For women 50+ years, screening by appointment only on Thurs and Fri at Ross Memorial Hospital. No doctor referral needed. 328-6175.
• **Monarch Bible Camp** offers fun, challenging programs for children ages 6-15. Registration now being accepted for camps in Minden, Haliburton, West Guilford, Eagle Lake and Carnarvon. Call 705–887–3625 on line cdnssm@bellnet.ca.
• **Every Wednesday:** Gooderham Branch, Haliburton County Public Library. Story circle at 11:30 a.m. on Pine Street, in downtown Gooderham. 457-2241 or 447-3163.
• **Every Thursday Evening:** Open Meditation Sessions 7:30-8:30 p.m. Drop in and join us every Thursday evening for an hour of relaxing, refreshing and revitalizing mediation. At the Dharma Centre of Canada, 1886 Galway Road, Kinmount (5 km south of Kinmount, 10 km off Highway #121) Phone: (705) 488-2704 or email: adminoffice@dharmacentre.org. Website: www.dharmacentre.org
• **Children's Craft Program** so popular we offer two afternoons each week 1:30 pm. Registration necessary. Pick up your schedule today. Minden Hills Museum. Call 286-3154
• **Thursday evenings throughout July and August** Preformances begin at 6:30 p.m. - Music in the Park Summer Concert Series at the Austin Sawmill Heritage Park in Kinmount. Bring your lawn chair and be ready to be entertained.
• **Pritchard House, Minden** 286–3310, visit our gift shop for work by local artisans. Following workshops for August: Weaving by Judith Chapman. Pressed flowers by Lorna Roland. Embossed Flowers by Diane. Rag rugs and runners ongoing. For more information drop into our gift shop.
• **Attention Parents and Caregivers !!** Motor vehicle crashes are the leading cause of death and serious injury to children of all ages. Make sure your children are traveling safely and your car seats are secure and properly installed. Call the local Health Unit at 457–1391 to make an appointment with a trained car seat technician today. Car Seats Save Kids Lives.
• **September 10:** Home Support would be delighted to have you join Wheels to Meals at the Minden Legions at 12 noon. If you would like to find out more information please call Eileen at 448–2596.
• **September 11:** On Saturday, Sept. 11 at 8:00 p.m., in the Northern Lights Pavillion, EDGE Ministries Presents a presentation by the "Covanent Players." Please call 457–8534 for more information.
• **September 13:** Beginner Tai Chi starts Sept. 13, Mon. evening 7 - 8:30 p.m. Hyland Crest Auditorium, Minden. First class is free. Call Ginny at 489–2996 to register.
• **September 13:** Family supper Night at Minden's Ontario Early Learning Centre is starting again. Monday Sept. 13 from 3:30 to 6:30.For more information call 286–1770.
• **September 14:** The Haliburton Highlands Weavers and Spinners invite you to their monthly meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. Demonstration and instruction of Salish Weaving at 1:30 p.m., September 14 at the Haliburton Museum.
• **September 15:** The Minden Skating Club, come join the fun and make new friends. Registration will be held from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at The Agnes Jamieson Gallery on Wednesday, September 15, For further information please call Lisa Corby at 286–2761 or Toni Carr at 286–4827.
• **September 15:** John McGrath Branch 441, Royal Canadian Legion Kinmount, Big Buck Bid Euchre, Wednesday, Sept. 15, at 11:00 a.m.
• **September 15:** If you are a Volunteer for Haliburton County Home Support Services and need to have your CPR and First Aid Training updated, this is the day. There is no charge for Home Support Volunteers, but we ask that you contact Roxanne ASAP. If you are not a volunteer for Home Support and would like to take this CPR and First Aid Course, please contact Roxanne for details. 457–2941.
• **September 18:** 1:00 - 4:00, Minden United Church "Brush with Colour" art group invites tou to view a display of framed watercolours and sketches. Refreshments.
* **September 23:** 7:30 p.m., Minden United Church. **Elizabeth May**, Executive Director of the Sierra Club of Canada, will speak. Co-hosted by Environment Haliburton and Highland Hills Pastoral Charge. Free admission, although donations are most welcome. For more info call Cathy Olliffe at 489-1977 or visit www.environmenthaliburton.ca.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Times for more information on events and in the Highlands.

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L. KENNISIS LAKE
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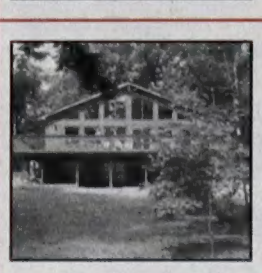
Priv, level property w/a stream & sandy shore. Lge deck at waters edge. Panabode cedar cottage, pine kitchen, stone fireplace, open concept, 3 bdrms, garage w/ laundry facilities & loft above w/ 2pc bath, common room & sleeping area. **$399,000.**



BEST OF BOTH WORLDS – PELAW LAKE /LITTLE REDSTONE
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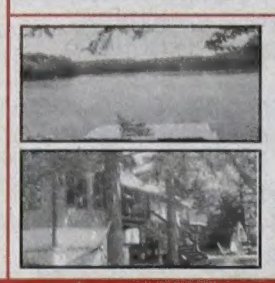
IDEAL BUILDING LOT
2 acres w/250' frntge. on Kennisis Lk. Big lake view. Area of prestige cottages. Well treed & private. Sand & rock shore & deep water. Yr. rnd. rd. w/hydro @ rd.
$269,000.

BRADY LAKE
Wow! A pleasure to show, neat, clean, beautifully decorated & every corner used in this 3 bdrm, 1140 sq ft home/cottage. 3 pc ensuite & balcony off guest bdrm, oak kitchen, cedar cathedral ceiling in LR with w/o to 3 sided deck. Sand beach, deep water & open lake view. Fully insulated 2 car garage. **$295,900.00**



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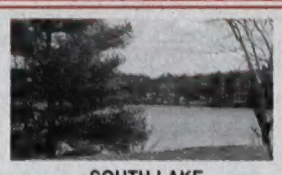

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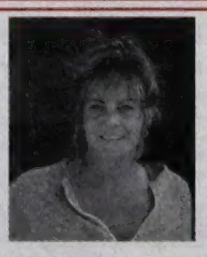

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